# City Times NEWSLETTER

### HAPPY MONTH OF THANKS!

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." –John F. Kennedy

Take a look at WHAT'S NEXT for COL below:

- <u>'Ware on C' Block Party</u>: 5-7:30 p.m. Nov.
   1 @Downtown C Avenue
- Holiday Watch Event: 6-8 p.m. Nov. 6
   @Great Plains Technology Center
- Community Chili Cookoff: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
   Nov. 8 @Lawton City Hall
- 77th Army Band Veterans Day show: 2-4
   p.m. Nov. 11 @McMahon Auditorium
- <u>Frost Ya Fanny Fun Run</u>: 5:45 p.m. Nov. 18
   @Elmer Thomas Park
- <u>Thanksgiving Community Feed</u>: 11 a.m.-1
   p.m. Nov. 22 @HC King Center
- THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE: City of Lawton offices closed, Nov. 22 & 23







The City of Lawton's Human Resources
Office hosted a Health & Wellness Fair
on Oct. 17 in the City Hall Banquet
Room. The event featured more than 20
vendors, prizes, giveaways,
demonstrations, valuable info AND free
lunch! Special thanks to event
organizers, vendors and all of the
attendees who came out this year!

Learn more about City benefits available to you by contacting Benefits Coordinator Cindy Griffin at ext. 392.



**CONGRATULATIONS!** 

#### Cynthia Williams of Stormwater Management

Cynthia earned the Oklahoma Floodplain Management Association's Special Recognition Award in September! This award is given to individuals in the floodplain management business that have demonstrated excellence in worthy endeavors!



#### Lawton Fire Department

Several members of the Lawton Fire Department were honored at the LFD Promotional Pinning Ceremony on Oct. 19, 2018. This ceremony took place to honor all promotions that have occurred since July 2017. Leadership also recognized the Academy Class 2017-18, as they officially completed probationary status!



#### **November Employee Birthdays:**

Matthew Leon Arthur Griffin Sarah Churchwell Nathan Kroboth James Bearbow Kathy Sheppard Daniel Breaden Timothy Wright Tiffany Vrska Jonathon Serrano Kody Kastner Brandon Perdieu Michell Rosario Jackson Mckeown Charles Crawford, Jr. Lawrence Richards William Alexander Gabriel Arellano Jimmy Hineman Cameron Paterson Christopher Kinsey **Donald Pauley** Homero Morales Nicholas Peterpaul Richard Wallace, Jr. Donalynn Blazek Scherler

Thomas Baldwin Billy Peterson Charles Simmons, Jr. James Bearbow William Maxson Justin Williams Kevin Stainbrook Tanner Josey **David Kamont** Eddie Atkinson David Schucker Donald Beaty James Breedlove Donald Dawdy Derrick Kuhlman Kenard Martin John Chelenza James Churchwell Mitchell Brittain Weston Glenn Kenneth Sparks Julie Magness Gregory McClain William Medders

Monty Pack Billy Hicks Jeffrey Hall William Baxter Joseph Norris Judy Dawdy Drew Young Kristin Herr Charles Smith Paul Martin Gene Sovo Shelly Brown Roy Rodrick Dana Wilson John Mullins **Xavier Evans** Sabine Mowry Bryan Bowles Donald Cox Eric Troutman Darrel Burton Cecile Albert Christopher Tally Mark Floyd

#### **ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 6! LEARN MORE HERE!**

#### **CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE!**

**November Employment Anniversaries** 

#### **10 YEARS**

Dustin Arrowood, SSC Colt Darnell, SSC Misty Roberts, Lakes Kevin Cassidy, WD Stephen Sellman, NS

#### 15 YEARS

John Breit, Streets

#### **20+ YEARS**

Vickie Ange, LPD



#### (20+ YEARS CONT'D)

David Faust, IT Stephanie Tehauno, Finance Robert Bay, Fire Johnny Dodd, Fire Steven Thornton, Fire Steven Monostori, Fire Brett Ford, Fire Raanon Adams, Fire Scott Preston, Fire Rose Wilson, Library Francis Drapeau, Parks & Rec Michael Hawkins, Stormwater Paul Huyssoon, LPD Ralph Maassen, Electronics Azalee, McGahee, Cemetary







Before we bid October farewell...

#### HALLOWEEN EVERYTHING!

(Click event for details)

<u>Library's Boo-Palooza</u>

<u>City Hall Halloween Bash</u>

<u>City Safe House</u>



#### SOPHOS CYBER SECURITY TRAINING

An email testing general employee knowledge & training of cyber security – with a planted "suspicious" link appearing to be from an IT staffer – was sent out Oct. 18. Those who clicked the planted link have been automatically enrolled in Email Phishing Training. Please complete this training at your first chance & always contact IT at ext. 338 if you are in doubt of the authenticity of emails.

## ADDENDUM OF OCT.23 LAWTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Lawton City Council adopted
Ordinance 18-34, increasing the
number of fixed holidays per year for
City of Lawton employees. This
ordinance added the Friday after
Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve
(when Christmas Eve falls during the
work week) to our fixed holiday
schedule. Other fixed holidays, in
addition to Christmas and
Thanksgiving, include:
New Years Day, Memorial Day,
Independence Day and Labor Day.

To view the addendum, **CLICK HERE.** 



#### **FRIENDLY REMINDER!**

UNITED WAY PACKETS ARE DUE BACK TO TIFFANY IN THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE BY 5 P.M. NOV. 2, 2018. CALL EXT. 301 WITH QUESTIONS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



The City's Planning, Parks & Recreation, Community Relations and Public Works Departments helped coordinated the eighth biannual Open Streets event on Oct. 20 – a health-based initiative that brings the community together in Downtown Lawton.



The Lawton Arts & Humanities Division. alongside other staff and community volunteers, coordinated another successful International Festival in Downtown Lawton the last weekend of September!



OCTOBER 2018



LPD leadership brought the first patrol car of a new 33-unit fleet to Lawton City Hall on Oct. 8! They are equipped with LED lights, reflective lights, cameras in both the front and rear, and a LOT more room for passengers and equipment!

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TVRSKA@LAWTONOK.GOV OR TEXT TO 580.351.4425.